

# UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

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## TO THE ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

Transmitted herewith is the patent application of ( ) application identifier or (X) first named inventor, Robert C. Chang, entitled UNUSABLE BLOCK MANAGEMENT WITHIN A NON-VOLATILE MEMORY SYSTEM, for a(n):

(X) Original Patent Application.

( ) Continuing Application (prior application not abandoned):  
( ) Continuation ( ) Divisional ( ) Continuation-in-part (CIP)  
of prior Application No. \_\_\_\_\_, filed \_\_\_\_\_.

( ) Please insert (or replace the previous claim of priority) after the title of the application "This is a  
( ) Continuation ( ) Divisional ( ) Continuation-in-part (CIP)  
of Application No. \_\_\_\_\_, filed \_\_\_\_\_, which is hereby incorporated by reference."

(X) This application claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application  
No. 60/421,965, filed October 28, 2002.

Enclosed are:

- (X) Specification; 40 Total Pages. (X) Drawing(s); 10 Total Sheets.  
(X) Oath or Declaration:  
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( ) A Copy from a Prior Application for Continuation/Divisional (37 CFR § 1.63(d)).  
( ) Signed Statement Deleting Inventor(s) Named in the Prior Application. (37 CFR § 163(d)(2)).  
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Independent Claims	7	4	\$86.00	\$ 344.00
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